

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

Public Safety Services



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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

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TO:

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FROM:

Pat Slaughter, Acting Adm. Director pc

Inspections and Licensing

RE:

"Request for Exemption" Applications for

Sprinkler Systems

Please see that all Inspectors receive copies of the new "Request for Exemption" application for sprinkler system installations of 20 heads or less (copy attached).

Please note that the new application requires water supply data, which includes static and residual pressures, flow test and date of test.

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or Mechanical Engineer

REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION

Automatic Sprinkler System Modifications Instruction Sheet

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANT AND REVIEW QUALIFICATIONS

- This application is a request to perform minor modifications to an existing automatic sprinkler system, involving alterations to a maximum of twenty (20) heads. A maximum of six (6) of these twenty (20) heads may be additions to the existing system. This scope of work must be limited to modifications which will not jeopardize system performance.
- 2. This form is not required for maintenance or repairs of identical replacement devices, materials, etc. (refer to NFPA 25).
- 3. A complete fire protection submittal is required if:
 - A. The existing system is extended into a previously unprotected area, or
 - B. Devices, materials, etc. are replaced by components which are not identical and/or require calculations, or
 - C. Modifications involve supplying two (2) or more heads from one (1) existing outlet, or
 - D. Modifications are resultant from a change of occupancy, or involve increase of hazard and/or special protection requirements (water curtain, concealed spaces, canopies, etc.).
- Complete all information on front side of form.
 Exemption request may be denied, if received incomplete.
 - A. Provide the State Fire Marshal Architect Review number, and attatch a copy of this letter to exemption form. If the State Fire Marshal Architect Review number is non-existent or unknown, enter reason for sprinkler modification in the architect review number box. If architect review is rendered exempt by S.F.M. inspection, provide confirmation letter from S.F.M. inspector. If modifications are resultant of inspection deficiencies, provide copy of report.

- B. When all information is complete, form may be mailed or faxed to the S.F.M. Plan Review Section, for review. An invoice for review charges will be mailed from the Plan Review Section. NOTE: To avoid duplicate reviews and duplicate invoicing, DO NOT MAIL A HARD COPY IF THE APPLICATION IS FAXED. Do not fax or mail duplicate entries of same application. Duplicate entries received without authorization may render project denied.
- 5. NFPA 101: 7-7.1.2 Protection Of Isolated Hazards
 - A. Protection of one (1) isolated hazard (enclosed room), with 130 sq. ft. maximum protection area (s x 1), requiring only one (1) standard orifice sprinkler head, may be performed by a Louisiana licensed plumber or a Louisiana licensed sprinklescontractor.
 - B. Protection of one (1) isolated hazard exceeding a one (1) sprinkler head scope, is required to be performed only by a Louisiana licensed sprinkler contractor.
 - C. A building having one (1) or more (no limit) isolated hazards, each meeting the scope of Item 5.A., above, may be performed by a Louisiana licensed plumber or a Louisiana licensed sprinkler contractor.
 - D. Exemption Request process is required for all three scopes of work described above. The design and installation shall comly with NFPA 101:7-7.1.2, and applicable provisions of NFPA 13. Proof of adequate domestic water supply is required. If Item 5.B., above, includes two (2) heads in the room, a sketch of the layout and piping with a calculation to the source must accompany the exemption request. If Item 5.B., above, exceeds a two (2) sprinkler head scope per room, or if other than standard orifice (1/2") sprinklers are to be used, a standard fire protection submittal is required.

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